



UNIVERSITIES SHOULD SERVE THE COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC GOOD

Universities should be places of learning and inquiry, the open exchange of ideas, and research that serves the community and the public good. Universities should NOT be used by the military to further their war aims or to perfect ways of killing or controlling people.

In the 1960s and 1970s, students at this and many other universities defended our educational institutions from becoming military research facilities.

WILL UH BECOME A SECRET MILITARY RESEARCH CENTER?

TODAY, THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII IS AGAIN THREATENED BY MILITARY ENCROACHMENT. The U.S. Navy wants UH Manoa to become a University Affiliated Research Center. Basically, this would mean that the military would gain control over key scientific research programs to conduct secret research, with no accountability or responsibility to students, faculty or the community. Unfortunately, UH president McClain, the Board of Regents and some faculty seem willing to give away UH's academic freedom to the military in order to get up to \$50 million in research contracts.

THIS UARC/ARL MILITARY ENCROACHMENT ONTO THE UH CAMPUS WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO SWEEPING MILITARY EXPANSION THREATS IN HAWAII AND AROUND THE WORLD:

- The stationing of a Stryker Brigade in Hawaii, which would entail an Army land grab of 25,000 acres, the destruction of Native Hawaiian cultural sites and endangered species and the release of tons of toxic contaminants into the environment.
- The possible stationing of a Navy Nuclear Aircraft Carrier Battle Group in Pearl Harbor.
- The expansion of 'Star Wars' Missile Defense programs on Kauai, O'ahu, Maui and Hawaii island.
- The expansion of military space research on sacred mountains – Haleakala and Mauna Kea
- Military recruiters taking our youth to fight their wars.

PLEASE ACT TO SAVE OUR UNIVERSITY!

THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII IS OUR UNIVERSITY. We will not allow our University to be an accomplice in illegal and immoral military policies. We reject secret military research and demand transparency, openness and accountability.

Students at UC Davis recently defeated a military UARC on their campus. We in Hawaii can do the same. Specifically we demand:

1. That the Board of Regents, Interim President David McClain, and Chancellor Peter Englert reject the UARC/ARL program.
2. Full disclosure and accounting of all past and present military related programs in the UH system, including a list of classified programs and programs conducted under the Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii.

SOME QUICK FACTS ON U.A.R.C. AND A.R.L.

- UARC stands for “University Affiliated Research Center.” ARL is another name for UARC, it means “Applied Research Laboratory.”
- The University of Hawai‘i at Manoa is at this moment attempting to seal a contract with the Department of Defense, Navy to do research for military initiatives.
- Research proposed can be “classified” at the Navy’s request.
- **Classified research** means that no one will know what the Navy is doing, except those sworn to secrecy.
- The Navy has promised up to 50 million dollars worth of funding for this relationship. However, the University must put up all initial funding for the first three years, and has said it will do so using research overhead funds known as “RTRF.” **This will take money away from other worthwhile projects.**
- The Navy has identified 4 core competencies they are targeting UH on: They involve the following:
 1. Basic and applied (classified) research in the areas of ocean environment.
 2. Astronomical research utilizing giant telescopes and development of world class state to the art optics and sensors for defense applications.
 3. Advanced electro optical systems, detectors, arrays, and instrumentation.
 4. Fundamental research and applied engineering supporting improvements in the utilization of various regions of the electromagnetic spectrum.
- **The militarization of UH in the 1950s led to the creation of Agent Orange here.** This herbicide was used extensively in the Vietnam War, and there are Agent Orange-contaminated sites in Hawai‘i nei. Numerous U.S. veterans are seeking redress from the military for harmful exposure to Agent Orange during their years of service.
- **The University of Hawai‘i is built on the national lands of Hawai‘i [the Crown and Government Lands Trust, or ‘ceded lands’], to which Native Hawaiians have a direct claim.** The militarization of our University is consistent with the current situation, in which more than 56% of the lands occupied by the military are from the Crown and Government Lands Trust. The military controls more than ¼ of the island of O‘ahu.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

JANUARY 20, 2004: HEARINGS AT UH MANOA ON UARC/ARL.

JANUARY 21, 2004: BOARD OF REGENTS VOTE ON UARC/ARL AT KAPI‘OLANI COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

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